

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION**

ABRA PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR ALL PROTEST PROCEEDINGS

Failure of an Applicant or Protestant to appear at the Roll Call Hearing, the Status Hearing or the Protest Hearing will subject the application or protest to dismissal at the discretion of the Board.

Failure of an Applicant or a Protestant to be adequately prepared to present the application or the protest to the Board and address the required standards of proof for the application or the protest, may subject the application or the protest to continuance, dismissal or denial.

The public hearing in these cases will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5 of the District of Columbia Official Code, Title 2.

Parties who are not seated as Protestants at the Roll Call Hearing will not be granted party status for purposes of the Protest Hearing. All seated Protestants and the Applicant must complete the Protest Information Form at the conclusion of the Status Hearing if the case is proceeding to a Protest Hearing. This form must be served on the opposing party and ABRA's General Counsel.

Parties who are not represented by an attorney have the right to present witnesses and to cross-examine the Board's witness and the witnesses proffered by the opposing party. The Board will impose time limits on the testimony of all individuals and will limit the time that an Applicant or Protestant has to present its case to one hour, excluding cross-examination.

All parties are required to submit a witness list and a brief summary of the witness' testimony. Witnesses are permitted to adopt another witness' testimony. The Board has the authority to excuse or dismiss any witnesses whose testimony is redundant or irrelevant.

All motions must be filed seven calendar days in advance of the protest hearing.

The evidentiary record will be closed upon the conclusion of the protested hearing. No late filed submissions, exhibits or other written evidence will be accepted by the Board.

All requests and comments should be submitted to the General Counsel, 941 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 7200, Washington, DC, 2001. Please include the license number on all correspondence. Effective January 1, 2008.